(b) the progress made in implementation of each of the schemes and by when the same are likely to be completed; and

(c) the expenditure incurred so far in respect of each scheme, the original estimated cost thereof and the likely cost at the time of completion of each scheme?

THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NILAMANI ROUTRAY): (a) The State Government of Madhya Pradesh is implementing an action plan for cleaning the Narmada. A total sum of Rs. 401.60 lakhs has been sanctioned for 52 schemes.

(b) As on June, 1990 out of a total of 52 schemes, 32 schemes have been completed, 14 schemes are in progress and the remaining 6 schemes are in the final stages of preparation. The works are targetted to be completed by December, 1991.

(c) The expenditure incurred upto June, 1990 on these works is Rs. 250.26 lakhs. The likely cost of the schemes at the time of completion cannot be indicated at this stage.

Failure of students of vocational courses due to lack of teaching and training arrangements

1575. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE:

SHRI MAHENDRA PRASAD:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that more than 95 percent candidates of vocational courses in the Senior Secondary levels have been declared fail by the Central Board of Secondary Education, mainly because of the failure of the Directorate of Education to make proper teaching and training arrangements for their education; and

(b) if so, what were the reasons for not making the said arrangements for the students?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA): (a) No Sir, the overall pass percentage of students in the vocational stream in the UT of Delhi was 85.2 percent.

(b) Does not arise.

Enhancement in Pak Defence Budget

1576. SHRI MAHENDRA PRASAD: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has drawn to the second full-fledged budget presented by Pakistan-Government on 7th June, 1990 boosting up their defence budget by billions of rupees;

(b) if so, what was the revised defence budget and the percentage increase it represented over the 1989-90 defence budget and what percentage of the total budget outlay for 1990-91 did it represent; and

(c) what is Government's reaction to this enhanced defence budget of Pakistan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (DR. RAJA RAMANNA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) According to available information in Pakistan's Federal Budget for 1990-91, the Defence Budget has been fixed at Rs. 62273 million. It represents an increase of 21.2 percent over the 1989-90 Defence Budget. The share of Defence in current expenditure is 39.1 percent.

(c) Government continuously monitor all developments impinging on the country's security and initiate appropriate measures to ensure effective defence preparedness.

Police action to prevent destruction of Forests in India

1577. SHRI MAHENDRA PRASAD: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that police action to prevent the clearing

and destruction of forests is in force in Brazil to save rain forests, whereby Brazillian Space Agency gets information from a NASA sunlite on any destruction of even five years of forests and punish the guilty after identifying the perpetrators of forest destruction by aerial and helicopter survey; if so, whether a similar system is also in force in India; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NILAMANI ROUTRAY): (a) and (b) Use of police force for protection of forests on the lines of Brazillian model is not practised in India.

Infighting in Indian Olympic Association

1578. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA:

SHRI YASHWANT SINHA:

DR. BAPU KALDATE:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the dispute between two factions of the Indian Olympic Association;

(b) whether it is a fact that some influential individuals are trying to take over the Association despite court's orders to the contrary;

(c) whether Government have recognised the rival group in the Association;

(d) if so, what are the reasons therefor and since when the matter has been pending in the Delhi High Court;

(e) whether the Delhi High Court had appointed an observer for the IOA meeting and his report does not favour the rival group's claims; and

(f) if so, what are the reasons for Government's intervention in view of the observer's report?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (f) Government is not a party in any of the Court cases between two factions of Indian Olympic Association. Therefore, it is not aware of all the facts, including the report of the Observer of the High Court of Delhi. The matter is subjudice.

Based on documents before it, Government has taken a decision to deal with Shri V. C. Shukla as the President of the IOA on interim basis, till such time final decisions are taken in respect of any matters pending in the Court. This was to avoid any deadlock in the functioning of the IOA, particularly in view of the Indian participation in the forthcoming Asian Games.

Refusal to opt for mother Tongue in Kendriya Vidyalayas in Goa

1579. SHRI JOHN F. FERNANDES: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the Kendriya Vidyalayas in Goa are not permitting the students to opt for their mother tongue as a regional language, though this language is permitted in all other schools in Goa; and

(b) if so, whether Government propose to modify the rules and permit the students to opt for their mother with immediate effect?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA): (a) and (b) In view of the All India character of Kendriya Vidyalayas, the Hindi and English languages are taught as compulsory subjects. However, there is also a provision of teaching regional languages in any Kendriya Vidyalaya provided the concerned Vidyalaya has 20 or more students willing to study the regional language. There is no proposal to modify this rules.